

MAY 4, 2021

ARTICLE Consent

MOTION **MADE** Leo Janssens II
BY:

SECONDED BY: Ron Putnam

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that articles 1 through 6 be approved by consent.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: Yes	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: Yes	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: Yes	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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EXPLANATION: In an effort to streamline Town Meeting, the Board of Selectmen started using a Consent Agenda in FY12. The Selectmen have placed Articles 1 through 6 on the Consent Agenda which appear below. The use of the Consent Agenda speeds the passage of articles which the Selectmen, in consultation with the Advisory Board believe are unlikely to generate any discussion or debate. These articles are effectively taken from the warrant, placed on this Agenda and acted upon as a unit under one motion which may not be debated. The Moderator will call for any “holds” prior to calling for the vote on the Consent Agenda. Any article(s) so held will be automatically restored to its place on the warrant for action in the normal course.

VOTE Simple Majority
REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays

ARTICLE 1 To accept the reports of several town officers and all outstanding committees, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Board of Selectmen)*

MOTION MADE --

BY:

SECONDED BY:

MOTION: ---

SELECTMEN	ADVISORY	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE	TAX RATE
RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	IMPACT:
Yes	Yes	--	--

VOTE Simple Majority

REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____Yays _____Nays

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to authorize a PILOT payment based on the annual kilowatt sales of the Light Department multiplied by a per kilowatt value from the Municipal Light Plant Funds, to the town treasury, as authorized by its Light Board in accordance with Chapter 164 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Municipal Light Department)*

MOTION MADE --

BY:

SECONDED BY: --

MOTION:

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: Yes	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: Yes	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: --	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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EXPLANATION: The PILOT agreement is tied to the Pilot payment in the annual kilowatt sales of the light department multiplied by a per kilowatt value. This was put in place for FY13 to ease the calculation and establish a standard process for future years. In FY22 it is estimated we will receive \$67,300.

VOTE
REQUIRED: Simple Majority

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____Yays _____Nays

ARTICLE 3 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer/Collector, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time-to-time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2021, in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or act in relation thereto. (Requested by the Town Treasurer/Collector)

MOTION MADE --

BY:

SECONDED BY: --

MOTION:

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: Yes	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: Yes	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: --	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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EXPLANATION: Allows the Treasurer to temporarily borrow operating funds for the Town to ensure payments are done in a timely manner. The Treasurer can only borrow that amount which is expected to be received.

VOTE Simple Majority

REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays

ARTICLE 4 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator to enter into a contract or contracts with the Massachusetts Highway Department for the construction and maintenance of town roads in conformance with the Massachusetts General Laws, or act in relation thereto. (Requested by the Town Administrator)

MOTION MADE --
BY:

SECONDED BY: --

MOTION:

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: Yes	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: Yes	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: --	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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EXPLANATION: This article allows the Town Administrator to contract with the State to do road repairs in Ashburnham. This article does not approve any specific project/road, but rather provides the delegation of authority to allow the TA to enter into a contract with the State.

VOTE
REQUIRED: Simple Majority

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays

ARTICLE 5 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all funds which become available in the Fiscal Year 2022 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Highways, Chapter 90 Bond Issue proceeds, to be used by the DPW for the repair and maintenance of town roads in conformance with Massachusetts General Laws, or act in relation thereto. (Requested by the Town Administrator)

MOTION MADE --

BY:

SECONDED BY: --

MOTION:

SELECTMEN	ADVISORY	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE	TAX RATE
RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	IMPACT:
Yes	Yes	--	--

EXPLANATION: This annual article allows the Town to expend its Chapter 90 state funds. For fiscal year 2022 the amount of those funds is estimated to be \$341,939.

VOTE Simple Majority

REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays

ARTICLE 6 To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money not to exceed \$1,500 from the Waterways Improvement Fund for the purpose of waterway improvement, maintenance, and safety, or act in relation thereto. (Requested by the Ashburnham Lakes Coalition)

MOTION MADE --
BY:

SECONDED BY: --

MOTION:

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: Yes	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: Yes	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: --	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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EXPLANATION: The Waterways Improvement Fund is funded by a portion of the boat excise tax to be used for waterways maintenance, access, law enforcement or fire prevention. The Ashburnham Lakes Coalition has been given the charge of recommending the use of these monies to the Board of Selectmen who then approve or disapprove expenditures. In the past these monies have been used for Police boat patrols, lifesaving courses, purchase of a Police boat and other water related expenditures.

VOTE Simple Majority
REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____Yays _____Nays
UNANIMOUS VOTE 'YES' FOR ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 6.

ARTICLE 7 To see what spending limits the Town will establish for revolving accounts established pursuant to Chapter 44, section 53E½ of the Massachusetts General Laws and Ashburnham General Bylaws for Fiscal Year 2022; or take any other action related thereto. (Requested by the Town Administrator)

MOTION MADE Bill Johnson
BY:

SECONDED BY: Ron Putnam

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move establish spending limits for revolving accounts established pursuant to Chapter 44, section 53E½ of the Massachusetts General Laws and Ashburnham General Bylaws for Fiscal Year 2022 as follows:

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Spending Limit</u>
RAD Program	\$15,000
Fire Alarm & Communications	\$20,000
Economic Development Banner Program	\$10,000

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: Yes	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: Yes	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: --	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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EXPLANATION: Now that the revolving funds are established, the limits to what can be collected in each fund and expended is an annual requirement.

VOTE Simple Majority
REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays

PASSED BY "YES" UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum \$791,124 to operate the Water Department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, or act in relation thereto. (Requested by the Town Administrator)

Salaries	87,380
Expenses	129,396
Water Filtration Plant	312,000
Debt Service	121,631
Indirect Costs	140,717
	<u>\$ 791,124</u>

MOTION MADE Leo Janssens II
BY:

SECONDED BY: Ron Putnam

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move to raise and appropriate a sum \$791,124 to operate the Water Department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021.

SELECTMEN	ADVISORY	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE	TAX RATE
RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	IMPACT:
Yes	Yes	--	--

EXPLANATION: The FY22 expenses reduced by 3.28% over FY21. Indirect costs decreased.

VOTE Simple Majority
REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays
PASSED BY "YES" UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum \$792,023 to operate the Sewer Department for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, or act in relation thereto. (Requested by the Town Administrator)

Salaries	50,487
Expenses	128,747
Service Charges Gardner	475,000
Debt Service	-
Indirect Costs	<u>137,789</u>
	\$ 792,023

MOTION MADE Bill Johnson
BY:

SECONDED BY: Ron Putnam

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move to raise and appropriate a sum \$792,023 to operate the Sewer Department for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021

SELECTMEN	ADVISORY	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE	TAX RATE
RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	IMPACT:
Yes	Yes	--	--

EXPLANATION: The FY22 Sewer Budget is 1.69% increase over FY21. Indirect costs decreased.

VOTE Simple Majority
REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays
PASSED BY "YES" UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE

10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sum **\$18,206,224** as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021 and to set the salaries of elected officials as set forth below and to transfer from available funds:

\$1,000 from Cushing Academy Trust Fund for secondary school expenses;

\$16,969 from Special Assessments Title V Receipts Account to pay principal and interest on notes payable to the Water Pollution Abatement Trust;

\$50,000 from Conservation Wetland Fees;

\$69,354 from Reserve for Amortization Bond Premium, or act in relation thereto.

(Requested by the Board of Selectmen and Advisory Board)

Line	Department	Budget FY21	Budget FY22	
1	Moderator	100	100	
2	Board of Selectmen	8,122	33,125	
3	Town Administrator	271,465	277,745	
4	Advisory Board	500	500	
5	Reserve Fund	50,000	50,000	
6	Town Accountant	95,200	112,700	
7	Board of Assessors	116,484	121,425	
8	Treasurer/Collector	167,114	171,305	
9	Tax Title	19,900	17,500	
10	IT Expense	185,016	194,850	
11	Town Clerk	59,693	55,830	
12	Conservation Commission	27,306	27,960	
13	Open Space Recreation Committee	1,272	1,275	
14	Inspectional Services	173,160	172,605	
15	Town Buildings	227,130	226,225	
16	Non-Departmental	125,355	116,650	
17	Police	1,598,356	1,666,935	
18	Fire	804,361	843,630	
19	Emergency Dispatch	307,970	314,740	
20	Animal Control	34,650	35,690	
21	Monty Tech	574,410	589,095	
22	Ash-West Reg School District	7,917,931	8,083,770	
23	Highway	1,046,535	1,090,570	
24	Snow & Ice	230,000	230,000	
25	Board of Health	22,455	23,580	
26	Council on Aging	34,694	35,470	
27	Veterans' Services	82,686	83,185	
28	Agricultural Commission	1,000	1,000	
29	Library	233,874	242,265	
30	Parks & Recreation Committee	16,500	21,500	
31	Historical Commission	1,250	1,250	
32	Debt Service	1,717,142	1,653,705	
33	Employee Insurance Benefits	1,659,459	1,847,367	
Subtotal		17,809,090	18,343,547	

MOTION MADE Leo Janssens II
BY:

SECONDED BY: Ron Putnam

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$18,206,224** to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, to set the salaries of elected officials and to approve the following transfers: \$1,000 from Cushing Academy Trust Fund for secondary school expenses; \$16,969 from Special Assessments Title V Receipts Account to pay principal and interest on notes payable to the Water Pollution Abatement Trust; and \$69,354 from Reserve for Amortization Bond Premium.

SELECTMEN	ADVISORY	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE	TAX RATE
RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	IMPACT:
Yes	Yes	Yes	.56

EXPLANATION: Annual operating budget article as noted represents a 2.99% increase over the adjusted FY21 budget. The revenues also cover the capital items in the next article. We are not seeking to transfer the Conservation Wetland Fees as they are not needed at this time.

VOTE Simple Majority
REQUIRED:

VOTE

☐ Unanimous ☒ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays

VOTE PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE "YES"

ARTICLE 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds the sum of **\$39,999** to fund the recommendation of the Capital Planning Committee to include the following:

<u>Line</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Volvo Loader 4th of 5 year payments	39,999
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		\$ 39,999

or act in relation thereto. (Requested by the Town Administrator)

MOTION **MADE** Bill Johnson

BY:

SECONDED BY: Ron Putnam

MOTION: Mr. Modertor, I move to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$39,999** to fund the recommendation of the Capital Planning Committee to include the following:

<u>Line</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Volvo Loader 4th of 5 year payments	39,999
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		\$ 39,999

SELECTMEN	ADVISORY	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE	TAX RATE
RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	IMPACT:
Yes	Yes	Yes	.06

EXPLANATION: This article is to make the 4th payment of 5 lease payments for the DPW Loader it will be on the tax rate and not transferred from the Capital fund because it is on a lease.
2/3 Majority Voice

VOTE
REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____Yays _____Nays

SSSED BY UNANIMOUS “YES” VOTE

MOTION MADE --Leo Janssens II
BY:

SECONDED BY: -- Ron Putnam

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move to rescind the vote approved under Article 27th of the Annual Town Meeting held March 10, 1973, authorizing a group of citizens to construct and develop a multi-use athletic area at their own expense on town owned land located between Dolly Whitney Adams School (now Stevens Memorial Library) and Chapel Street (known as Winchester Park) and further to ratify and confirm that all improvements and equipment installed pursuant to said authority are and shall remain property of the town.

SELECTMEN	ADVISORY	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE	TAX RATE
RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	IMPACT:
Yes	Yes	--	--

EXPLANATION: The intent in 1973 was to authorize a private group to develop and construct a multi-use athletic facility, such as a tennis courts and/or hockey rink. This development did not come to fruition and would not be practical today or in the future. Therefore, this authorization should be rescinded

VOTE Simple Majority
REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS "YES" VOTE.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the town will vote to change the name of the "Board of Selectmen" to the "Select Board" and to so amend the General Bylaws in each and every instance where the term 'Board of Selectman," Selectmen or selectmen appears, and replace it with "Select Board," as indicated in the copy of the General Bylaws attached hereto, and further, to effect the same name change, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a Special Act of the Legislature as follows:

AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN IN THE TOWN OF ASHBURNHAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of SECTION 3 of Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2011 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1 of the first paragraph, the words "board of selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 2. Section 2 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby further amended by striking out in lines 1, 2, and 3 of the second paragraph, the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 3. Section 4 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 4. Section 5 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 1,2,6,10,15,16,17 and 18, of the first paragraph the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 5. Section 5 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby further amended by striking out in line 1 of the second paragraph the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 6. Section 6 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 2 and 4 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 7. Section 7 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 1,3, and 5 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 8. Section 8 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 1, of the first paragraph the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 9. Section 8 (a) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 1 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 10. Section 8(b) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 2, 5 and 6 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 11. Section 9 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 2, 4 and 5 of the first paragraph the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 12. Section 9 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby further amended by striking out in lines 1, 6, 7 and 8 of the second paragraph the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 13. Section 10 (a) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 1 and 3 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 14. Section 10 (b) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 1 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 15. Section 10 (d) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 5 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 16. Section 10 (e) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 1 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 17. Section 10 (f) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 3 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 18. Section 10 (g) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 1 and 2 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 19. Section 10 (j) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 3 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 20. Section 10 (k) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 1 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 21. Section 10 (l) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 1 and 4 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 22. Section 10 (q) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 2 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 23. Section 10 (r) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 4 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 24. Section 10 (s) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 4 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 25. Section 10 (t) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 4 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 26. Section 10 (v) of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 2 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 27. Section 11 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 5 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 28. Section 12 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 3, 4, 11, and 14 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 29. Section 13 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out clause (b) thereof inserting in place thereof the following clause (b) select board.

SECTION 30. Section 14 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in line 2 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 31. Section 15 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 1 and 3 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 32. Section 16 of SECTION 3 of said Chapter 140 is hereby amended by striking out in lines 4 and 6 the words “board of selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the following words: select board.

SECTION 33. This act shall take effect upon passage.;

Or act in relation thereto.

MOTION MADE --Bill Johnson
BY:

SECONDED BY: -- Ron Putnam

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move to change the name of the “Board of Selectmen” to the “Select Board” and to so amend the General Bylaws in each and every instance where the term ‘Board of Selectman,’ Selectmen or selectmen appears, and replace it with “Select Board,” as indicated in the copy of the General Bylaws attached hereto, and further, to effect the same name change, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a Special Act of the Legislature as printed in the warrant.

SELECTMEN	ADVISORY	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE	TAX RATE
RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	RECOMMEND:	IMPACT:
Yes	Yes	--	--

EXPLANATION:

To update the name of the board, all references have to be changed in the bylaws and the charter. There are some references to the Board of Selectmen in the Zoning Bylaws, which must go through the amendment process set forth in Chapter 40A. This process should be able to be completed for before the annual town meeting, at which time similar amendments can be proposed to those bylaws.

VOTE

Simple Majority

REQUIRED:

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays
PASSED BY UNANIMOUS "YES" VOTE.

ARTICLE 14

To rescind Article 28 of the 1993 Town Meeting which transferred custody of a parcel of land on School Street in South Ashburnham, the former site of the Emeline Jewell Whitney School, to the Council on Aging and dedicate it to the construction of a new senior citizens center and transfer custody back to the Board of Selectman.

MOTION MADE --Leo Janssens II

BY:

SECONDED BY: -- Ron Putnam

MOTION:

Mr. Moderator, I move rescind Article 28 of the 1993 Town Meeting which transferred custody of a parcel of land on School Street in South Ashburnham, the former site of the Emeline Jewell Whitney School, to the Council on

Aging and dedicate it to the construction of a new senior citizens center and transfer custody back to the Board of Selectman.

SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: Yes	ADVISORY RECOMMEND: Yes	CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE RECOMMEND: --	TAX RATE IMPACT: --
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EXPLANATION: In 1993 the intent was to enable the Council on Aging to build a Senior Center on this town owned land in South Ashburnham. Since there remains a need for more senior housing, the Selectmen would like to explore broader development opportunities for this parcel which would include a senior housing in addition to an onsite senior community center.

VOTE
REQUIRED: Simple Majority

VOTE

☒ Unanimous ☐ Majority Voice ☐ 2/3 Majority Voice ☐ Count _____ Yays _____ Nays

A motion was read by Leo Janssens to rescind Article 28 from the 1993 Town Meeting. Majority vote was passed to rescind the Article. A motion was then made by Ed Vitone to add 'TO MEET SENIOR NEEDS,' seconded by as Bill Johnson. The vote was passed Unanimous to amend the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 P.M.